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1. At the meeting of Assistant Directors this morning Mr. Dulles stated that one of our objectives during 1955 should be to get our work done with fewer numbers. He implied that he believed we could improve efficiency in so doing.



2. At the same meeting I advised those present that our obligations to date indicated that we would see Fiscal Year 1955 through comfortably on our present budget allocation and that our Fiscal Year 1956 allocation would be sent to the Congress in the amount we requested. I urged all present to analyze their situations now and to activate projects, particularly those involving contracts, as early as possible so as to avoid the Fourth Quarter and, particularly, the month of June rush.

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- 3. The Clark Committee staff in the person of Colonel Lane spent the morning with and the Project Administrative Planning Staff; I attended for a part of this session. I spent the afternoon with Colonel Lane, Colonel Miller, and Mr. McGruder giving them the kickoff for their inspection of the DD/A area as a whole.
- 4. In addition to the foregoing, Mr. Dulles announced at the meeting of Assistant Directors that it was his policy to promote from the ranks where possible and to bring in new blood as we found it.

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